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Subject: SI and H Experimentation, 9 July 1951
(Room 20, Building 13)

Further research was continued in Room 20, Building 13, on 9 July 1951, with the above subjects. Tests results and observations are included as follows:

[redacted] had returned anticipating further experimentation and seemed very anxious to continue at once. [redacted] accompanied [redacted] and expressed a desire to observe only. Both [redacted] and [redacted] were somewhat unexpected guests and expressed a desire to observe only. Noting that [redacted] was the only one who was eager to participate, the operator felt that some subtle means of persuading the others to participate was very desirable. [redacted] consented to being induced for a short time to demonstrate to the others. (The operator believed that by witnessing the trance, that suggestibility is improved in those witnessing.) [redacted] was then awakened and much of the embarrassment had disappeared. The operator feels personally that before this aide can be used with any measured success in obtaining information, that subtle and covert means of inducing SI must be highly developed. The operator must be very adept in covert and subtle application in every case.

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Anticipating this and feeling that suggestibility could be increased covertly, a recording of mass SI was offered to those observing to arouse their interest and perhaps subtly induce the desired state. The operator remained silent and as the recorded voice continued for some few minutes, it was noted that with the exception of [redacted] (who had previously been conditioned that no voice except that of the operator would affect herin any way), all present had completely relaxed and had closed their eyes. The recording was continued for a few minutes and stopped. Using the same mannerisms as near as possible, the operator took over and continued relaxation suggestion. [redacted] awakened and was asked to sit quietly while suggestion was continued on [redacted] and [redacted] immediately went into a somnambulate state and [redacted] followed to some lesser degree. Both [redacted] and [redacted] were given post SI suggestions for ease in reaching the desired state in the future. [redacted] was immediately tested and again went under SI immediately. [redacted] who is considered an excellent subject, was not tested again at this time. As previously mentioned, the most conclusive thought brought out at this particular sitting was that untried persons

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witnessing previously trained subjects go into SI and hearing the technique from a recorded voice became more susceptible as the evening progressed. This would also confirm to some extent a belief that desirable surroundings, both for sight and hearing are aids which must be considered and experiemented with in the future.